

REMARKS

Applicants' attorney thanks the Examiner for his comments. Claims 1-9 and 11-20 are pending in this patent application.

Amendments to the Claims

Applicants have canceled Claim 10.

Applicants have amended Claims 13 and 15 as suggested by the Examiner.

Applicants have amended Claim 18 to require that a vertical distance between the first die head and the web forming belt is adjustable. Support for this amendment is found throughout the specification, for example at page 15, line 8 through page 16, line 6.

Claim Objections

The Examiner objected to Claim 18 under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being of improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim.

Applicants have amended Claim 18 to require that a vertical distance between the first die head and the web forming belt is adjustable. Applicants believe that this amendment overcomes the Examiner's objection to Claim 18 and, thus, respectfully request withdrawal of this objection.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner rejected Claim 10 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement.

Applicants have canceled Claim 10 and, thus, the Examiner's rejection of Claim 10 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, is moot. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection.

The Examiner rejected Claims 13 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second

paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention.

Applicants have amended Claim 13 to require that the web forming machine is mounted to the second *bushing housing*. Applicants have amended Claim 15 to depend from Claim 13 in order to provide proper antecedent basis for *the second bushing housing* and *the second guide shaft*.

Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection.

Conclusion

Applicants intend to be fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action. If the Examiner detects any issue which the Examiner believes Applicants have not addressed in this response, Applicants' undersigned attorney requests a telephone interview with the Examiner.

Applicants sincerely believe that this Patent Application is now in condition for allowance and, thus, respectfully request early allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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